





Historic Ashburn Colored School Vandalized

Suspects Identified, Restoration Project's Go-Fund-Me account, On-Site Restoration Work Day Sunday from 9-2



The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) announced yesterday that they have identified 5 teenage suspects in connection with the Ashburn Colored School that was vandalized this past weekend with swastikas, crude images and the words "white power."

Three 16-year-olds and a 17-year-old from Sterling and a 16-year-old from Ashburn have been interviewed by detectives. Because they are juveniles, the names of the suspects are not being released.

I thank LCSO for working quickly and efficiently to identify these suspects. I hope that, if found guilty, they will learn how to act as more responsible members of our community.

Since the act was committed last Friday night, I have seen our community in Loudoun County as well as our greater global community come together around this issue. So far, \$51,000 has been raised in addition to the prevandalism balance of \$16,000 for a total of \$67,000 towards the project's goal of \$100,000! I'm sure this teaches the students who have worked so hard to restore the old school into a museum that when members of a community come together, great things can be done. Anyone wishing to make a contribution can do so by visiting the restoration project's go-fund-me account.

Additionally, there will be a work day held on Sunday, October 9th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. to repaint the school. To sign up to volunteer, or for more information, please visit http://www.loudounschool.org/crc/.



Sincerely,

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